Harrington Park Environmental Commission January 11, 2017 7:45 pm Meeting Minutes

At 7:49 Peter Ardito opened the meeting with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2016 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-present Genevieve Taurino-absent

Mary Ann Schran-absent Laura Fitzgerald-present

Anne Lander-present Theresa Hazelton-present

Meredith Budinich (to be sworn in)-present

Minutes of December 7, 2016: Theresa moved to accept, second Laura. All in favor carried.

New Member sworn in: Meredith Budinich was sworn in and welcomed.

Theresa nominated Marti Francis to serve as recording secretary for 2017, second Laura. Roll call vote:

Peter Ardito-yes Laura Fitzgerald-yes
Anne Lander-yes Theresa Hazelton-yes

Carried.

Recycling Reports

Green Team Portion of Meeting: Mary Ann (who is sick) asked Theresa to remind members to write items for WordPress.

Treasury Report: As of 10/4/16

Environmental (Trust) Green Team account 1272.19 T-Mobile Tree Escrow 6772.23 Environmental Commission 20.04

Right of Way/United Water

Old Business

March cleanup, weather permitting, will be 3/25. Snow date is 4/8.

2017 EC Agenda

Committee Assignments: Added to the committee assignments from the December meeting are Town Day: Meredith (Theresa will help)

Grants will include Sustainable Jersey

January 2017 Planning Board Update: Dr. Pastore wants to move her medical office to the outbuilding on her property. Office hours would possibly be 9:00-7:00 some days and 9:30-4:00 others. She is a holistic doctor and would see about 30 patients per day. The Planning Board is carrying this issue until the February meeting.

Allegro Development is asking for a report from each agency to which it reported in March and April 2016. Peter suggested that the EC ask Allegro to commit to planting 8 trees per year for 10 years (\$40,000.00 total). Allegro presented at the January PB meeting. Peter also suggested a charging station and solar panels at Allegro. We also want to remind Allegro that the EC desires pervious surfacing wherever possible. Marti remembered that the paint color was a concern to the EC. Harrington Park is asking for 26 "affordable housing" units. Theresa asked whether they will be recycling reliable. We also want to look into rainwater collection/use. Perhaps there can be a learning area or have them sponsor something. Allegro is also talking to United Way about the gas station property. Theresa and Peter will put something together and forward to Marti.

New Business

Peter suggested exploring the possibility of the DPW purchasing trucks that run on biofuels.

Peter expressed that wish to have O&R pay for the trees they cut down. Theresa would like to speak to Suez about cleaning up their property. Anne asked EC members to let her know what should be put in the newsletter.

Adjournment—Next scheduled meeting February 1, 2017: Theresa moved to adjourn, second Anne. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:10